

REMARKS

The subject application is a division of Application No. 09/995,674, filed November 29, 2001. The issue fee is being paid in that application concurrently with the filing of the subject divisional application.

In the parent application, several paragraphs of the specification of the application, as filed, were amended to rectify minor typographical errors. Those changes are being made to the same paragraphs in the subject application. In addition, paragraph 001 of the specification is being amended to recite that the subject application is a division of the parent application. These various minor changes do not constitute any new matter.

The original ten sheets of drawings filed with the parent application and which are being filed in the subject divisional application, were objected to as having improper margins. Those original 10 sheets of drawings were re-formatted onto sixteen sheets of drawings and were re-submitted. No changes to the drawings themselves were made. The re-formatted drawings were submitted on December 20, 2001.

During a review of the application in the course of preparing a response to the Office Action of October 2, 2002, several minor errors were noted in Figs. 1, 4, 13, 14 and 15. These were corrected in an Amendment filed March 25, 2003. Copies of Figs. 1, 4, 13, 14 and 15, with the changes shown in red, are enclosed. Sixteen (16) replacement sheets of formal patent drawings, which are the same as the drawings contained in the allowed parent application, are enclosed. These have all been labeled

as "Replacement Sheet." These sixteen replacement sheets do not include any new matter.

Original claims 1-12 and 14-34 have been cancelled. Original claim 13 has been amended, as was done in the parent application. New claims 35-37 have been added. These are the same as claims 37-39 in the parent application. The four claims now pending in the subject application are the same as the four claims cancelled from the parent case by the Examiner as being directed to a separate invention.

SUMMARY

Paragraphs 001, 0010, 0077, 0080, 0099 and 0114 have been amended. The original ten sheets of formal drawings, consisting of Figs. 1-16, have been cancelled in favor of the concurrently submitted sixteen replacement sheets that consist of the same Figs. 1-16. Of these, Figs. 1, 4, 13, 14 and 15 have been amended to correct several minor numbering errors and to delete several incorrect, computer generated lines. These various changes do not constitute any new matter.

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Entry of this Preliminary Amendment into the file of the subject divisional patent application, prior to the calculation of the filing fee, and prior to an examination of the application on the merits, is respectfully requested.

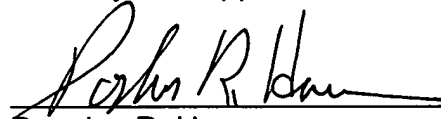
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